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THE FOLLOWING ARE ANSWERS TO REFTEL:

A. LEGAL COUNSEL OF THE "PUBLIC DEFENDER" TYPE IS PROVIDED FREE TO THOSE UNABLE TO FUND PRIVATE COUNSEL, INCLUDING U.S. CITIZENS AND OTHER FOREIGNERS.

B. THIS REPRESENTATION IS READILY AVAILABLE. MOREOVER, DEFENDENT CAN DESIGNATE COUNSEL, ALTHOUGH THE COUNSEL IS NOT OBLIGATED TO ACCEPT ASSIGNMENT.

C. QUALITY OF PUBLIC FUNDED LEGAL ASSISTANCE COMPARES FAVORABLY WITH QUALITY OF PAID, PRIVATE COUNSEL. HOWEVER, DUE TO NATURE OF PROCEDURES, UNLIKELY THAT DEFENDENT WILL OBTAIN COUNSEL UPON ARREST UNLESS HE CONTACTS CONSULAR OFFICER WHO CAN ADVISE HIM OF HIS RIGHTS.
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